

REMARKS

Prior to this amendment, Claims 1, 6, 8, 9, 21-30, 34, 36-40, 43-49, 51-53, and 56-57 were pending in the application. Applicants have added new claims 58 - 63 and have amended claims 34 and 52 to recite the genes PR and Her2. Support for this amendment can be found in original claims 1, 21 and 25 and in the specification at, for example, paragraph [0010]. Support for the amendment to claims 56 and 57 can be found in original claim 1 and paragraph [0010]. No new matter is added.

The PTO required the restriction of the claims in the above-identified application into one of the following two groups of claims. Group One includes claims 1, 6, 8, 9, 21-30, 34, 36-40, 43-49, 52-53, 56-57 drawn to a method of predicting the likelihood of long-term survival of breast cancer by detecting expression levels of GRB7, CD68, and MYBL2. Group Two includes claims 10, 15-20, 51, 54-55 drawn to an array comprising polynucleotides.

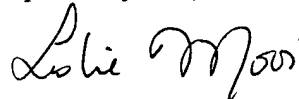
Applicant elected by the response filed on May 3, 2006 the claims of Group I, claims 1, 6, 8, 9, 21-30, 34, 36-40, 43-49, 52-53, 56-57 drawn to a method of predicting the likelihood of long-term survival of breast cancer. This election was made with traverse. Applicant believes that Claim 51 is properly included in Group One because it depends from a method claim and does not recite an array comprising polynucleotides. Applicant maintains the election with traverse.

Claims 1, 6, 8, 9, 21-30, 34, 36-40, 43-49, 51, 52-53 and 56-57 remain in this application. The amendments to the claims presented above are being made without prejudice to filing a continuation/division application directed to the non-elected subject matter.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. **08-1641** referencing Attorney's Docket No: 39740-0008A.

Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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